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SUBJECT: MORNING SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT REPORTS

1. GREECE: ARMED FORCES ON ALERT

THE GREEK ARMED FORCES AND GENDARMERIE WERE PLACED ON FULL ALERT YESTERDAY. IN AN OFFICIAL STATEMENT, THE MINISTRY OF DEFENSE DECLARED:

--THE ALERT WAS IN RESPONSE TO "CONSPIRATORIAL MOVEMENTS OF A FEW UNREPENTANT PEOPLE...LINKED WITH THE LEADERS OF THE DICTATORSHIP NOW UNDER ARREST."

--THE ARMED FORCES HAVE TAKEN "PRE-EMPTIVE MEASURES" AND WILL STRIKE AT ANYONE "WHO DEVIATES FROM THE ROAD OF DUTY AND HONOR."

IN A CONVERSATION WITH AMBASSADOR KUBISCH, DEFENSE MINISTER AVEROFF STATED:

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--THE GOVERNMENT HAS TAKEN CERTAIN PRECAUTIONS AGAINST
"CRAZY YOUNG ARMY OFFICERS", BUT

--THE "IMPLIED PLOTTING AGAINST THE GOVERNMENT SHOULD
NOT BE TAKEN TOO SERIOUSLY." (SECRET) ATHENS 1521,
2/24.

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2. CYPRUS-UN-GREECE: BITSIOS SPECULATES ON NEGOTIATIONS

IN DISCUSSIONS WITH AMBASSADOR KUBISCH FEBRUARY 23, BITSIOS
SAID THAT THE GOG'S PRINCIPAL OBJECTIVE WAS TO COME AWAY
FROM THE UNSC MEETING WITH A NEW BASIS FOR CONTINUING THE
CYPRUS NEGOTIATIONS. WHILE BITSIOS SEES "NO POSSIBILITY"
THAT CLERIDES WILL RETURN TO RESUME TALKS WITH DENKTASH IN
NICOSIA, HE BELIEVES ONLY THAT FORUM OFFERS ANY PROSPECT FOR
AN AGREED SETTLEMENT. ON THE FUTURE OF THE NEGOTIATIONS AND
POSSIBLE ALTERNATIVES, BITSIOS:

--CLAIMED THE GOG WAS WILLING TO CONSIDER ANY REASON-
ABLE PROPOSAL BUT SAW NO GOOD POSSIBILITIES AT PRESENT;

--SAID THE SOVIET PROPOSAL FOR AN INTERNATIONAL CONFER-
ENCE, THE ROMANIAN CONCEPT OF A BALKAN CONFERENCE, THE
EC-9 INITIATIVE, AND MOVING THE NEGOTIATIONS TO VIENNA
ARE NOT REALISTIC ALTERNATIVES;

--THOUGHT THE POSSIBILITY OF CLERIDES AND DENKTASH
REACHING A SETTLEMENT WOULD BE GREATLY ENHANCED IF THE
TALKS WERE IN NEW YORK WHERE WALDHEIM COULD PARTICIPATE
PERSONALLY AND THE SECRETARY COULD PLAY A MORE ACTIVE
BEHIND-THE-SCENES ROLE. (CONFIDENTIAL) ATHENS 1485
(EXDIS), 2/24.

3. SYRIA: TRYING TO OUTFLANK EGYPT

KHADDAM HAS BEEN AIRBORNE PRACTICALLY CONTINUOUSLY SINCE THE
SECRETARY'S DEPARTURE, CARRYING MESSAGES FROM ASAD TO VARIOUS
ARAB LEADERS. THE PURPOSE SEEMS TO BE TO INCREASE ARAB
PRESSURE ON EGYPT.

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--HOWEVER, THE SYRIANS HAVE NOT SOUGHT RAPPROCHEMENT
WITH IRAQ NOR SHIFTED TOWARD THE REJECTIONISTS TO BLOCK
AN EGYPTIAN-ISRAELI ACCORD.

--INSTEAD, THEY APPEAR TO BE TRYING TO LINE UP ARAB
ALLIES BEHIND THEM TO MAKE IT DIFFICULT FOR EGYPT TO

CONCLUDE A BILATERAL AGREEMENT, AND TO GET AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE FOR THEMSELVES AND THE PLO OUT OF THE UPCOMING NEGOTIATIONS. (CONFIDENTIAL) DAMASCUS 682, 2/24.

4. SAUDI ARABIA: CONCERN ABOUT US AID FOR ETHIOPIA

THE RADICALIZATION OF THE ETHIOPIAN REGIME AND ITS DECISION TO SEEK A MILITARY SOLUTION HAVE DISILLUSIONED THE SAUDIS. CAREFUL HANDLING OF THE PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT OF A US DECISION TO REPLENISH MILITARY SUPPLIES WILL BE CRUCIAL TO MINIMIZING THE RESULTING SHADOW ON -- AND THE LEVERAGE THEREBY GIVEN STATES HOSTILE TO -- GOOD US-SAUDI RELATIONS. (CONFIDENTIAL) JIDDA 1319 (LIMDIS), 2/24. KISSINGER

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